

Lazaro "Larry" Cosme, National President, Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA)

Mr. Lazaro "Larry" Cosme is a retired Special Agent (SA) with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), a division of Immigration & Customs Enforcement within the Department of Homeland Security. Mr. Cosme started his federal law enforcement career with the legacy Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in 1992. His most recent assignment was to HSI D.C. based out of the HSI-Harrisonburg, Virginia field office. During his distinguished career, Mr. Cosme led a multi-agency financial crimes task force in the central Virginia region and was involved in criminal investigations, which included national security, human trafficking, and financial fraud.

While working for INS, Mr. Cosme was assigned to work on the 9/11 task force. In April 2007, he was a lead HSI special agent in the Virginia Tech Massacre Investigation. In 2008, the HSI Director and HSI Special Agent in Charge for HSI D.C. recognized Mr. Cosme with the Investigative Excellence Award for HSI D.C. field office.

In November 2010, Mr. Cosme was promoted to Operation Manager/SA at Homeland Security Investigations, Headquarters in Washington, D.C. at which time, he coordinated and made assessments of large-scale complex criminal investigations. During this time, Mr. Cosme had direct oversight of several domestic field offices in addition to being a liaison for senior level agency directors and managers.

Aside from his career accomplishments, Mr. Cosme has been heavily involved in law enforcement organizations throughout the years. In 2005, he was elected to serve as FLEOA's Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Agency President. While serving his second term as ICE Agency President, he was elected to FLEOA's National VP of Operations. In September 2019, Mr. Cosme was elected to FLEOA's National President and is currently serving a four-year term. In addition to his work with FLEOA, Mr. Cosme has also served law enforcement officers in different capacities, as President and Executive VP of Local 2149 with the American Federation of Government Employees, National INS Council. Mr. Cosme is a Board member on the Congressional Badge of Bravery.

Mr. Cosme possesses a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from New Jersey City University. In addition, he attended training in Management and Labor relations at Rutgers University and received training from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, in dispute resolution.